

State of Delaware Office of the Governor

Ruth Ann Minner Governor

October 27, 2008

Mr. Michael Petit de Mange Kent County Administrator 555 Bay Road Dover, DE 19901

RE: Certification of Comprehensive Plan

Dear Mr. Petit de Mange:

After reviewing the recommendations of the Office of State Planning and the Governors Advisory Council on Planning Coordination, I have found that the adopted plan does meet the criteria for certification as listed in Delaware Code and I hereby certify the Kent County comprehensive plan provided the following recommendations are addressed:

- 1. Kent County shall work with our office to update their current Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of State Planning regarding the Preliminary Land Use Service.
- 2. The County shall comply with Title 9, §4958 (c) of the Delaware Code which states that the County provide a written report to the Governors Advisory Council on Planning Coordination every 12 months on the status of the comprehensive plan and its implementation.
- 3. Our findings and recommendations are based on the plan itself, and on the continuation and refinement of successful land use policies and ordinances that have served to direct growth into the growth zone and have worked to ensure that infrastructure is available in a timely fashion to serve new development. These policies and ordinances include, but are not limited to, the Kent County Subdivision Ordinance, the Kent County Transfer of Development Rights Ordinance, the Kent County Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance, and the Kent County Bulk Utilities Ordinance. The State expects that the County will

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retain and enhance these ordinances as described in the plan recommendations. The State reserves the right to reconsider this recommendation if there are any other changes to or discontinuation of these policies and ordinances.

Congratulations on your certification.

Sincerely, Ruthann Minner

Ruth Ann Minner

Governor